Bureau of Reclamation Seeks Proposals for Conservation Programs

The Bureau of Reclamation in partnership with the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is announcing and encouraging prospective applicants to submit proposals for fiscal year 2005 on the Central Valley Project Conservation Program (CVPCP) and the Central Valley Project Improvement Act Habitat Restoration Program (HRP). Applications may be submitted by individuals, Federal and State government agencies as well as private non-profit or for profit organizations.

Proposals should emphasize the proposed activity's contribution to improving existing conditions for CVP impacted listed species. The CVPCP Operational Framework Document and HRP Project Plan specify criteria used to evaluate and prioritize proposals. Applicants are encouraged to clearly spell-out how their project would fulfill these criteria.

Those who plan to submit written proposals are also invited to make an oral presentation to the program managers and the CVPCP Technical Team members. Presentations are currently being scheduled for October 26, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; October 27, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; and October 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Presentations will be held at the Federal Building, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, 95825.

Both the CVPCP and HRP proposals can be submitted beginning October 1, 2004, and should be written in accordance with the examples indicated in the CVPCP Operational Framework Document and the HRP Project Plan. The deadline for proposal submission is March 1, 2005. The Program's official solicitation letter, as well as the above documents, can be accessed at the following links:

- Proposal Solicitation Letter
- Central Valley Project Conservation Program Operational Framework Document
- Habitat Restoration Program Project Plan

To schedule a presentation or to get additional information regarding the Conservation or Habitat Restoration Programs, please contact John Thomson at 916-978-5052, or Caroline Prose with the Service at 916-414-6575. Proposals must be submitted to John Thomson, Project Manager, Central Valley Project Conservation Program, MP-150, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825.

Additional information about the programs can be obtained at the following web links:

- http://www.usbr.gov/mp/mp150/cvpcp/
- http://sacramento.fws.gov/